Affairs of Malanjkhund Copper Project

3281. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Mallanjkhund Copper Project of the Hindustan Copper Limited, Calcutta despite being highly mechanised and modernised is failing to achieve target production of about 2 million tonnes of ore per annum;

(b) whether some of the senior executives of the project have been subjected to the investigation by the CBI for various charges;

(c) whether some of the traders like M/s. R. G. Ispat of Jaipur and United Forging have been drawing huge funds without making proper supplies with the patronage of local management;

(d) whether several complaints to HCL, Calcutta have not brought out any result; and

(e) if so, what are the facts and details thereof and what action is being contemplated against all those who are facing CBI charges and charges of internal vigilance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA): (a) Malanjkhand Copper Mine was commissioned in June, 1982. During the year 1985-86, the mine achieved 73 per cent of the rated capacity of two million tonnes per annum. Hindustan Copper Limited is taking steps to reach the rated capacity.

(b) One of the Senior Executives of the Company has been subjected to investigation by the CBI.

(c) Payments to M/s. R. G. Ispat and United Forgings and others supplying grinding media, are being released in terms of the contracts entered into with them.

(d) and (e) While Hindustan Copper Limited, Calcutta has not received any complaint regarding part (c) in addition to the case mentioned at (b) above, complaints against two officers of Malanjkhand Copper Project are being looked into by the Vigilance Cell of the Company.

Housing Finance Corporation Companies

3282. SHRI GAYA CHAND BHUYAN:

DR. BAPU KALDATE:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have permitted formation and operation of Housing Finance Companies/Corporations;

(b) whether such corporations and companies have been permitted by the Central Government and Delhi Development Authority for giving loans to individuals for housebuilding;

(c) whether such Corporations and Companies have obtained grants from any of the United Nations Bodies for the development of Housing in India;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) whether Government are aware that some of these Corporations and Companies have defrauded those who have borrowed money from them mortgaging their houses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) In public sector, Housing and Urban Development Corporation was established in 1970 to fin-